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KEY TO CITY OF MADRID

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FIRST OFFICIAL EVENT IN PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE FOLLOWING
ARRIVAL CEREMONIES AT MADRID'S BARAJAS AIRPORT WAS
PRESENTATION TO HIM OF KEY TO CITY OF MADRID BY MAYOR
MIGUEL ANGEL GARCIA-LOMAS. CEREMONY TOOK PLACE AT
CIBELES CIRCLE IN DOWNTOWN MADRID WHERE MOTORCADE OF
GENERAL FRANCO AND PRESIDENT PAUSED ENROUTE FROM AIRPORT
TO MONCLOA PALACE. PRESIDENT MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT
AFTER RECEIVING KEY:

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"MR. MAYOR, YOUR EXCELLENCIES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

MRS. FORD AND I HAVE BEEN VERY DEEPLY TOUCHED BY THE FRIENDLINESS AND THE WARMTH WHICH HAVE MARKED OUR ARRIVAL IN SPAIN. THE HOSPITALITY WAS EVIDENT IN THE GRACIOUS WELCOME OF THE CHIEF OF STATE, AND THE SPANISH PEOPLE, AS WE ENTERED THIS BEAUTIFUL CITY.

MANY AMERICANS ARE FAMILIAR WITH A PHRASE BESPEAKING SPANISH HOSPITALITY -- 'MY HOME IS YOUR HOME.'

IN ACCEPTING THIS KEY TO THE CITY OF MADRID, I HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE TO FEEL COMPLETELY WELCOME AND AT HOME. TO ME, THIS KEY REPRESENTS MORE THAN HOSPITALITY. IT SIGNIFIES THE OPENING OF DOORS, NEW DOORS TO GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS IN BRINGING THE SPANISH AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE CLOSER, CLOSER TOGETHER, AND BUILDING UPON THE FRIENDSHIP THAT WE HAVE ALREADY SHARED.

IT IS IN THIS SPIRIT, MR.MAYOR, THAT I ACCEPT THIS KEY TO YOUR GREAT CAPITAL CITY, AND I THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART."
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